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<p>Dispute from L J L J</p> <p>INFO: Italy 12/07</p> <p>SYNOPSIS</p> <p>In 1948, supported by the Anglo-Americans, Albanian refugees constituted a National Committee for Free Albania. Among the political groups represented in the NCA is the Balli Kombetar (National Front) (NK). NK, a republican movement had its origins in the wartime Albanian Committee of Liberation. Like all groups growing out of that committee it carries within itself the germ of Communism. NK's president Hasan DOSTI, an individual as mediocre as he is obstinate, normally resides in the U.S., but he is an almost open opponent of British views regarding the Albanian question. DOSTI opposes fusion of exile Albanian groups in an anti-Communist front, opposes any change in his party's policies, resists all pressure brought to bear on him, and refuses to deviate from his own personal political line which tends definitely towards the left. His attitude provoked the schism of Ali KISSURA and his followers who are attempting to give vitality to a right wing Balli Kombetar movement. DOSTI has remained obstinate despite KISSURA's secession, and it is evident that he is not serving an ideal, but a master.</p> <p>In the annual which he directed to Albanian refugees in 1951, Ali KISSURA declared that it was his intention to prevent Albanian refugees from being gathered into political groupings which might in any way be useful to Communism. And, as a matter of fact, DOSTI's policies can only serve Communism. Hasan DOSTI, among other things, is a declared enemy of Italy.</p> <p>Balli Kombetar is financially supported by British ID.</p>				
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